



SPONSOR: Rep. Schwartzkopf & Rep. Longhurst & Rep. Minor-Brown & Rep. Ramone & Rep. Yearick on behalf of all Representatives & Sen. Sokola & Sen. Townsend & Sen. Lockman & Sen. Hocker & Sen. Pettyjohn on behalf of all Senators

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
152nd GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 72

HONORING THE YOUNG WOMEN FROM ACROSS THE STATE OF DELAWARE PARTICIPATING IN THE 2023 SESSION OF DELAWARE GIRLS STATE.

1 WHEREAS, during the week of June 25, 2023, young women from across the State of Delaware, students at the
2 State's public and private high schools, come to Legislative Hall in Dover to participate in the 2023 session of Delaware
3 Girls State; and

4 WHEREAS, during their stay here, these young women will receive valuable hands-on training and experience in
5 the legislative process and the ways of State government, which will serve them in good stead in their later lives; and

6 WHEREAS, the experience they receive during Girls State will prove especially useful to those among their
7 number who go on to assume leadership roles in government or seek elective office in the future; and

8 WHEREAS, the young women participating in the 2023 session of Girls State include:

- 9 Meghan Virani of Appoquinimink High School
- 10 Sophia Douglas of Appoquinimink High School
- 11 Lucy Oliver of Archmere Academy
- 12 Emma Minnick of Cab Calloway School of the Arts
- 13 Isabela March of Cab Calloway School of the Arts
- 14 Michelle Mao of Cab Calloway School of the Arts
- 15 Alexandra Soghomonian of Caesar Rodney High School
- 16 Laurel Patterson of Caesar Rodney High School
- 17 Olivia Lewandows of Caesar Rodney High School
- 18 Mekayla Petion of Calvary Christian Academy
- 19 Isabella Fuscellaro of Cape Henlopen High School
- 20 Ashini Pachauri of Charter School of Wilmington
- 21 Emily Spangler of Charter School of Wilmington
- 22 Suhani Mehta of Charter School of Wilmington

23 Sarah Jackson of Conrad School of Science
24 Julianna Morelli of Delmar High School
25 Julia Novack of Lake Forest High School
26 Tasia Smith of Lake Forest High School
27 E'lanna Johnson of McKean High School
28 Raye-Lee McDonald of McKean High School
29 Katelyn Blevins of MOT Charter High School
30 Rose Badiy of Newark Charter School
31 Vatsala Bais of Newark Charter School
32 Paige Duffy of Newark Charter School
33 Therese Kim of Newark Charter School
34 Cassidy Lawhorn of Newark Charter School
35 Addison Mood of Newark Charter School
36 Ella Vandervort of Odessa High School
37 Grace Barnett of Odessa High School
38 Natalie Holdren of Odessa High School
39 Olivia Perry of Saint Andrews School
40 Abigail Cuthbertson of Sanford School
41 Mackenzie Langton of Smyrna High School
42 Paisley Cole of Smyrna High School
43 Sydnee Holt of Smyrna High School
44 Actias Walters of Sussex Technical High School
45 Eleanor Loeper-Viti of Tower Hill School
46 Olivia Jordan of Tower Hill School
47 Adrianna Hutton of William Penn High School

48 WHEREAS, during their week-long session these young women will learn many of the details of the process
49 whereby a bill becomes a law, and debate and discuss many issues both timely and of great importance to the State of
50 Delaware; and

51 WHEREAS, throughout the week the Girls State delegates will be deeply involved in a study of such subjects as
52 conduct of elections, the operation for the legislative caucus and committee systems, majority and minority positions, and

53 many other aspects of the political process, all of which will give them valuable knowledge of the manner in which the
54 American system of representative democracy operates; and

55 WHEREAS, the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Delaware has once again sponsored this important
56 educational program, as it has done for many years, thereby displaying a deep dedication to the American system of
57 government and to the essential task of ensuring that our youth understand and appreciate that system.

58 NOW, THEREFORE:

59 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 152nd General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the
60 Senate thereof concurring therein, that its members do hereby commend each of the participants in the 2023 Girls State
61 session for their hard work and extend to each sincere congratulations on a very successful session at Legislative Hall.

62 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the House of Representatives and the Senate do hereby
63 extend to every participant sincere best wishes for success in all future endeavors, together with the hope that at least a few
64 of these fine young Delawareans may one day find themselves again in the House or Senate chamber as duly elected
65 representatives of their fellow citizens.

66 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the House of Representatives and the Senate do hereby
67 commend and thank the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Delaware for its sponsorship of this outstanding
68 program.

69 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution shall be presented to each of the delegates of the
70 2023 Session of Girls State, and to the sponsor of the event, the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Delaware.

SYNOPSIS

This concurrent resolution recognizes and honors the young women of Delaware participating in the 2023 session of Delaware Girls State.